**Gibson County Special School District Board of Trustees**

**Special Called Meeting**

**Gibson County High School**

**July 16, 2020**

Mr. Tom Lannom, board chairman, called the meeting to order. Members present were: Benny Boals, Tom Lannom, Treva Maitland, Charles Scott, Steven Tate, Eddie Watkins and Dana Welch. A motion was made by Mr. Tate to approve the regular agenda, with a second by Mrs. Welch. *Motion passed*.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**SRO Update**

Mr. Pruett reported the following have partnered with GCSSD School Resource Officer Grant, Kenton Special School District, City of Medina, City of Rutherford and City of Medina for $10,000 per year toward the salary of SROs. The City of Dyer is still pending. Mr. Pruett and Mr. Cunningham attended the Gibson County Commission Meeting to ask for support on this item. Mr. Longmire, Chairman of the Budget Committee, felt a drawback for the county commission, if the grant was eliminated. Mr. Longmire asked if the GCSSD would be willing to cover the cost of four officers in the amount of $68,524, if the grant should be removed. A motion was made by Mr. Tate and seconded by Mr. Watkins to fund the SROs in the amount of $68,524, if the grant is liquidated. *Motion passed.*

**District Learning Discussion**

Mr. Pruett presented the following four options to the Board and discussed a recap of each. He discussed the district learning on-line programs that teach the same standards, just different curriculum from teacher’s teaching. The public comment part of this topic was very vocal parents and teachers. After much discussion, the Board a, a motion made the decision **not to** **vote for option 2 nor 3**. This motion was made by Mr. Watkins and seconded by Mrs. Welch. *Motion passed.*

After more Board discussion about option one, this option keeps students with their original classroom teachers and those students doing the distance learning program. The district will pay teachers a stipend for the extra teaching. This stipend will be determined at a later date. Teachers may record some lessons, cutting down on the duplicate teaching times. Mr. Lannom made a motion to approve option 1, stating the regular teachers would teach regular classroom as well as district learning students compensated with a stipend. Mr. Boals seconded the motion. *Motion passed*.

Mr. Tate made the motion to adjourn.